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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the action mailed August 24, 2005, applicant elects Specie 3 of the claimed invention: a medical device having a first component comprising a ceramic and a second component comprising a polymer. It is believed that claims 1, 4, 6-11, 22-32, 37-41 and 44 read on this species. It is also believed that claims 1, 37 and 48 are generic. The election is made without traverse.

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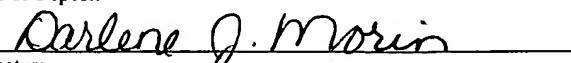

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